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Maryland Gov. Larry Hogan and State Police Superintendent Colonel Jerry Jones III walk with honor guard troopers to place flowers at the Maryland State Police Fallen Heroes Memorial.

In-Person Fallen Heroes Ceremony Returns After Year Absence

(PIKESVILLE, MD) — In a sign that life is slowly returning to normal following the COVID-19 pandemic, the Maryland State Police hosted the department's annual Fallen Heroes Ceremony on May 12 in Pikesville.

Governor Larry Hogan again joined Colonel Woodrow W. Jones III to honor the 43 troopers who have died in the line of duty since the department was founded in 1921.

Also honored during 75-minute ceremony was a deputy state fire marshal, who died in the line of duty in 2017, and two troopers killed in action as part of their military service

during World War II.

This year's event, which included families of the Fallen Heroes and active troopers among those in attendance, came after a virtual-only event was recorded in 2020 at the height of the pandemic.

"Every single one of the brave men and women who we honor today are true heroes," Gov. Hogan said.

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HEROES: Honoring Those Who Sacrificed Everything

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“We call them that not only because of their ultimate sacrifice, but just as importantly because of the tremendous lives that they lived. We call them heroes because when others stood back in fear, they stood bravely on the front lines.”

Colonel Jones said that while the Maryland State Police has 23

barracks, seven aviation hangars and multiple other facilities across the state, there is no other location more important to the department than the Fallen Heroes memorial at State Police Headquarters.

“Within this memorial garden is a monument to the members of the Maryland State Police who lost their lives while serving the people of this state....,” Col. Jones said. “This location is most im-

portant because it proudly displays the names of those individuals who we hold in the highest regard. They are our fallen heroes. They are those who chose to serve, despite knowing the cost they may be called upon to pay. They lost their lives while serving others.”



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PHOTOS: Fallen Heroes Ceremony 2021



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Flight Paramedic, Pilots Reunite With Patient After Saving Leg, Life In 2020

(FREDERICK, MD) — Flight paramedics and the pilots who transport them have one goal when called to duty: get to the scene and provide the often life-saving care a patient needs before getting them to the proper trauma center.

These crews with the Maryland State Police Aviation Command typically see people when they are at their worst. Rarely is there a personal connection made as the crews need to quickly move on to the next call for a patient facing similar dire consequences.

This was not the case on April 30 for pilots Philip Haskins and Keith Blanton, along with Trooper First Class Christopher Aycock and Corporal Jaclyn Pickett.

The crew of Trooper 3, based in Frederick, had a chance to reunite with a former patient a little more than a year after rescuing longtime logger Jon Goshorn, who nearly lost his leg and could have died during a work-related accident in 2020. The crew was recently honored with the Governor's Award For Individual Achievement as part of the state's 2021 Safety and Risk Management (SERMA) Awards Program.

"This was a special moment," Pilot Haskins said. "I love what I



Cpl. Jaclyn Pickett meets with Jon Goshorn and his family, a year after she and her medevac crew rescued him from a near-fatal logging accident

do, but we don't often get to see what type of impact we make on lives. To see a patient doing well so long afterward gave my job that much more meaning."

Shortly after 8:25 a.m. on April 2, 2020, Trooper 3, was summoned to Pennsylvania, approximately four miles above the Mason-Dixon Line for a critically-injured logger. The crew flew the agency's AW-139 from their Frederick base to rescue the injured man, later identified as Jon Goshorn.

This mission was a remote land aerial hoist requested by the Needmore Volunteer Fire Company rescuers in Fulton County, PA, who found the injured logger in a densely wooded area in a nearly inaccessible terrain. The topography posed numerous challenges and would have resulted in fatal injuries to the patient, if an at-

tempt was made to extract him on foot.

Ground rescuers were faced with layers of mud-covered, decaying trees. They advised MSPAC personnel it would be physically impossible to move the patient without an elaborate rope and pulley system, which would have taken several hours to formulate and construct.

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The precarious terrain ultimately meant Trooper 3 had to fly lower in the valley in order to reach an altitude where the hoist operation could be safely conducted. This situation was exacerbated by 30-knot winds within the valley. The skills of Pilots Haskins and Blanton were critical in the successful outcome of this mission.

The initial information provided to MSPAC paramedics about a “logger with a broken leg” from the ground rescuers did not adequately describe how emergent the situation was or how dire the patient’s condition. The critical status of the patient was not discovered until after the insertion of Corporal Pickett, who was serving as the crew’s rescue technician.

Corporal Pickett also quickly identified the “broken leg” was actually a catastrophic fracture and a near, full-leg amputation; this resulted in massive blood loss and an unconscious patient.

Corporal Pickett stabilized the patient as much as she could before moving to a location where extraction was possible. TFC Aycock hoisted her and Goshorn up from 250 feet above, which also proved difficult due to the location.



Cpl. Jaclyn Pickett

Corporal Pickett recognized this obstacle and assisted in directing the aircraft successfully, so the hoist cable and hook missed the plethora of obstructions.

“I’m not sure it made all the difference, but if he had to be hiked out of there and placed in a ground transport, I’m not sure he would have made it,” Corporal Pickett said.

TFC Aycock noted that the color of the cable, hook and terrain were melded together, making visual tracking difficult. Cor-

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Pilot Keith Blanton and TFC Christopher Aycock



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Upon extraction of the patient, Pilots Haskins and Blanton advised the flight paramedics they did not have enough fuel to make it to Shock Trauma. The crew then opted to fly to Winchester Medical Center in Virginia.

Based on the patient's declining medical condition, the crew made the decision to fly to Winchester. The patient was moved into surgery within 10 minutes of arrival at the hospital.

The training, actions and mission planning of Trooper 3's crew prior to this incident paid dividends when it was go-time. Aerial rescue is one crews assigned to

Trooper 3 train realistically for throughout the year in order to adapt and overcome seemingly impossible odds.

"Our reunion was the first time I've had the chance to follow up with a patient to this extent," said Corporal Pickett, who was a firefighter/paramedic in Montgomery County before being hired by MSP six years ago. "We had a chance to talk before the reunion and my cheeks began to hurt from smiling so much because we just don't typically get to see what happens after we drop off a patient. "

This incident not only showcases the capabilities of the MSPAC's AW-139 helicopter, but it highlights the proficiency and dedication of the entire MSPAC crew to

overcome adverse conditions, complete a highly-technical rescue and provide lifesaving interventions to ensure the patient's survival.

The best outcome was achieved by everyone involved, as the patient was able to be released from the hospital a week later with his leg intact.

"Normally when we get an update, it's from a report with sterile details," TFC Aycock said. "To see the patient up and walking after a catastrophic injury like this was such an emotional moment."



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MSP Helicopter Hoists Injured Hiker From Sugarloaf Mountain In Frederick County

(FREDERICK, MD) – A Maryland State Police helicopter crew rescued an injured hiker who had slipped and fallen down the rock face of Sugarloaf Mountain in Frederick County.

Shortly after 12:30 p.m. on May 1, Maryland State Police Helicopter Trooper 3, based at Frederick Maryland Airport, was dispatched to Sugarloaf Mountain in Frederick County. Rescue crews from Frederick and Montgomery counties responded to the scene.

The helicopter crew launched and once on-scene, the crew located an Advanced Technical Rescue Team (ATRT) member who had made contact with the victim and was

assessing the injuries. The ATR member advised that due to the surrounding terrain, recommended that the victim be extracted via the screamer suit designed for rapid extrication.

The helicopter crew configured Trooper 3 for an aerial hoist operation and positioned overhead the hoist area. The pilots maneuvered the AW-139 helicopter into a steady hover position 100 feet above the rescue crews due to terrain and obstacles. A Trooper/Rescue Technician with medical equipment was lowered to the scene.

The Trooper/Rescue Technician assumed patient care and stabiliza-

tion. The Trooper/Rescue Technician then secured the victim into the screamer suit. Once the patient was ready to be hoisted, Trooper 3 repositioned and maneuvered the helicopter into a steady hover position 100 feet above the victim.

The Trooper/Rescue Technician and the victim were hoisted up to the helicopter. Once the patient was secured inside the aircraft, Trooper 3 transitioned to its medevac role and transported the patient to Meritus Medical Center in Hagerstown, Maryland for further treatment.



Trooper 3 flying above Sugarloaf Mountain in Frederick County



Rescue Technician/Trooper Emily Brown



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Maryland State Police Rescue Stranded Boater From Susquehanna Flats In Cecil County

(CECIL COUNTY, MD) – Maryland State Police rescued a stranded boater who had run aground in shallow water in Cecil County.

Shortly before 7 p.m. on May 1, Maryland State Police Helicopter Trooper 1, based at Martin State Airport, was dispatched to Susquehanna Flats in Cecil County, Maryland, to hoist a stranded boater who had run aground in shallow water. The call was received from the U.S. Coast Guard that had vessels in the area, but were unable to reach the vessel by any means.

The Trooper 1 helicopter crew launched and once on-scene, they began searching for the vessel. The crew located the vessel after contacting the boat operator, who



Master Trooper Max Schulte assisted in the rescue of a stranded boater in Cecil County.

then sent up a flare. The vessel was confirmed to be stuck aground in the middle of the flats and was inaccessible by ground or marine units.

The Trooper 1 helicopter crew configured for an aerial hoist operation and positioned overhead the hoist area. The pilots maneuvered the AW-139 helicopter into a steady hover position 80 feet above the stranded vessel.

A Trooper/Rescue Technician was lowered to the vessel. The Trooper/Rescue Technician then secured the victim into the screamer suit. Once the victim was ready to be hoisted,

Trooper 1 repositioned and maneuvered the helicopter into a steady hover position 80 feet above the stranded vessel.

The Trooper/Rescue Technician and victim were hoisted up to the helicopter. Once the victim was secured inside the aircraft, the Trooper 1 medical crew verified the patient was not injured.

The crew then transported the patient to a predetermined location to be reunited with family.





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Progress Continues On Construction Of New Maryland State Police Museum

(PIKESVILLE, MD) — The Maryland State Police has a great history that now dates back 100 years.

From Governor Ritchie presiding over the first graduating class in February 1921, to the Aviation Command's first medevac flight in 1970 to the expanded use of forensics in crime-fighting efforts in more recent years, the Maryland State Police has continuously found innovative ways to serve the citizens of Maryland.

With all of those innovations and with so many powerful stories to tell

about the men and women who have made MSP the department it is today, one thing that has been missing for several years is a proper place to preserve this history. That will soon change.

Construction is continuing on the new Maryland State Police Museum. The museum will be located on the grounds of State Police Headquarters in Pikesville. Originally state-owned, in 1952, the State of Maryland transferred the deed to the Pikesville Kiwanis Club, which rented the space for more than two decades to a local dance studio.

Over the years, the



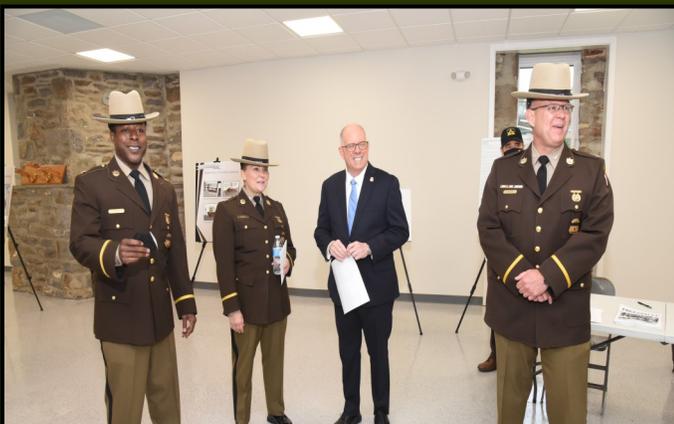
Kiwanis Club's membership dwindled to the point where it decided to give up the property. In the deed for the building, there is a reversion clause, allowing for the property to be transferred back to the state.

While MSP has taken over ownership of the building, the \$200,000 in renovations to the interior were paid for by funds raised by the Maryland State Police Alumni Association. When the museum opens later this year, it will include artifacts, documents, photos and more to educate the public about the mission of the Maryland State Police, along with highlighting the growth and the

accomplishments of the department over the past century.

The museum recently offered the public a sneak peak of its progress when it opened its doors before and after the Maryland State Police Fallen Heroes Ceremony. The tentative plans are for the museum to be ready to open in Fall 2021.

For more information, visit <https://mdsp.maryland.gov/Pages/Maryland-State-Police-Museum.aspx>



Major Greg Phillips, Lt. Col. Dalaine Brady and Colonel Jerry Jones show Governor Larry Hogan the progress being made on the new Maryland State Police Museum.

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North East Trooper Seizes Cocaine, Gun After Cecil County Traffic Stop

(ELKTON, MD) – A traffic stop led a trooper to arrest and charge a suspect on weapons and drug charges last month in Cecil County.

At about 1:20 a.m. on May 1, a trooper from the Maryland State Police North East Barrack was on patrol on US 40/ Pulaski Highway in the area of Ephrata Avenue in Elkton, Maryland. At that time, the trooper stopped a white Kia four-door sedan for an equipment violation.

According to a preliminary investigation, upon contacting the driver of the Kia, who was the only occupant and later identified as Avery Glover, 31, of Newark Delaware, the trooper could see in plain view clear baggies of what appeared to be a white powdery substance believed to be cocaine.

Along with the suspected drugs, troopers also located a Beretta 9mm semi-automatic handgun under the driver's seat. In addition, troopers located four loaded magazines for the



Beretta with 60 rounds of 9mm ammunition.

Glover was arrested and transported to the North East Barrack for processing.

Police Continue Efforts To Combat Street Racing, Excessive Exhaust Noise In Montgomery County

(ROCKVILLE, MD) – As part of their ongoing efforts to address street racing and excessive exhaust noise in Montgomery County, police continue initiatives in concentrated areas known for the noise and illegal activity.

The initiative took place April 20 in the area of MD Route 355 between Rockville and Gaithersburg. The coordinated efforts among Montgomery County law enforcement partners in-

cluded Maryland State Police from the Rockville Barrack, officers from the Gaithersburg Police Department, Rockville City Police, Montgomery County Police and the Maryland Transportation Authority Police.

The combined efforts of all five law enforcement agencies yielded the following results:

- 125 citations and warnings
- 49 safety equipment repair orders

- 2 criminal arrests

Maryland State Police highway safety initiatives in this region and throughout the state will continue, in cooperation with local law enforcement partners.

Please obey the speed limit, do not drive aggressively or impaired and always buckle up.